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## **LONGVIEW MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO FEDERAL DRUG CHARGES**

(Tyler, TX) United States Attorney Matthew D. Orwig announced today that a 28-year-old Longview man has pleaded guilty to federal drug charges in the Eastern District of Texas.

**ERNEST CHARLES STINSON, JR.**, admitted to possession with the intent to distribute crack cocaine, in a plea hearing held today before United States Magistrate Judge John D. Love.

According to information presented in court, on June 22, 2006, Stinson was arrested after attempting to elude Longview Police officers for a traffic violation. During the traffic stop, Stinson was found to be in possession of over 200 grams of crack cocaine. Stinson was indicted by a federal grand jury in October.

When sentenced, Stinson could receive up to life in federal prison for the conviction. Stinson has also agreed to forfeit \$2,511.26 in cash that was seized at the time of his arrest. A sentencing date has not been set.

This case is being investigated by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration and the Longview Police Department. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Richard Moore.

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